## State of Maine Department of Education

## Gifted and Talented Educational Program Application for One-Year Waiver 2017-18

Gifted and Talented Educational Program Waiver Applications are to be submitted electronically to <a href="maine.gov">GT.DOE@maine.gov</a> by September 30, 2017.

School administra	ative unit name: RSU #7		
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CERTIFICATION: The statements m Robert F England J Superintendent N	r.	best of my knowledge and belief.  Mudde (ug fall) 7/18/17  Superintendent Signature	
Date Waiver Appl	ication Submitted to Maine D	OE: 7/18/17	
Check Reason(s) I	for Waiver Request:		
Financial Hardship		Other	
Partial Program Waiver Request		Eull Program Waiver Request	

Please completely describe the basis for the SAU's one-year waiver request and further describe how the SAU is meeting the needs of the gifted and talented population in your district (Use as much space as necessary):

North Haven Community School enrollment for 2017-18 is projected to be about 55 students. High School may have 12 students in total. We have class sizes of 3 to 10 in each grade level year. We have a teaching to staff ratio of 14.5 teachers for these 55 students. Due to these ratios we are able to provide very personal and focused learning opportunities for each children.

We work hard to meet the needs of each child based on their perceived (parent or child) or data (NWEA, Aims Web, etc.) determined level of instructional need. A student that is able to perform well developmentally in any content area, we accelerate or blend with students of similar ability. This means that students that maybe identified as gifted in content areas (ELA, Math, Social Studies, Science, Foreign Language or the Arts) are provided with learning opportunities that push their own personal learning. These opportunities include cross grade-level content integration or online explanatories. Although we do not have a formal GT program, we are in essences providing experiences within our small school that support GT students.

We also offer k-5 computer programming, 3d printing and extended programming to students beyond 6<sup>th</sup> grade including architecture, graphics etc. We have a strong drama, music and chorus program with a lot of community involvement and productions preformed at the town theater. In addition, we have a writing, poetry recital annually where all children practice their public speaking. Each of these activities starts as early as kindergarten and become the norm for students as they progress through school.

As students progress through the grades from MS to HS they begin to do knowledge fairs with public presentation. A student in their senior year must present to a panel of community, school board, administration and teaching staff a four-year portfolio where they demonstrate and defend their learning in order to demonstrate proficiency and ready to graduate.

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